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Center for Medicaid and State Operations
Disabled and Elderly Health Programs Group (DEHPG)

December 16, 2002

Kathleen G. Sgambati
Acting Commissioner
Department of Health and Human Services
129 Pleasant Street
Concord, New Hampshire 03301-3857

Dear Ms. Sgambati:

I am pleased to inform you that your request for a new home and community-based services waiver entitled In Home Support Waiver for Children with Developmental Disabilities, as authorized under section 1915(c) of the Social Security Act, has been approved. Based on your request of July 30, 2002, as well as supplemental information, I approve this waiver for a three-year period effective January 1, 2003. This waiver has been assigned Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services control number #0397-IP, which should be referenced on all future correspondence relating to this waiver.

The waiver targets home and community-based services to children with developmental disabilities who, absent the waiver, require an Intermediate Care Facility/Mental Retardation (ICF/MR) level of care. This waiver offers family support/care coordination, enhanced personal care, consultative services, respite, and home and vehicle modifications to participating individuals.

The following estimates of unduplicated recipients and average per capita costs of waiver services have been approved:

Year	Unduplicated Recipients	Factor D
1	180	\$19,847
2	190	\$19,861
3	200	\$20,442

Approval is subject to your agreement to serve no more than the individuals indicated above. If New Hampshire wants to serve a larger number of unduplicated recipients or make alterations to this waiver, an amendment must be submitted for approval. Should it be necessary, the waiver can be renewed at the end of the three-year period by providing documentation of satisfactory performance and oversight.

We appreciate the cooperation provided by you and your staff and congratulate you on being the first state to have a waiver approved under the parameters of the *Independence Plus* initiative. We are appreciative of our opportunity to work with you on this application as it has helped us clarify the essential elements for future self-directed waiver requests.

Sincerely,

/s/

Mary Jean Duckett
Director
Division of Benefits, Coverage, and Payment

cc: Boston Regional Office

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